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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, the following information is brought to the  
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The following six documents were cited in an International Search Report recently  
issued by the European Patent Office in connection with a corresponding foreign  
application. A copy of the International Search Report is enclosed.

U.S. Patent No. 3,915,155.

U.S. Patent No. 3,985,133.

U.S. Patent No. 4,829,448.

U.S. Patent No. 5,537,853.

U.S. Patent No. 6,099,492.

International Publication No. WO 01/19318.

I hereby certify that each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was cited for the first time in a communication from any foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement.

To assist the Examiner in entering the foregoing information into the record, the above-noted documents are cited on the attached form PTO-1449 and copies of the documents are enclosed.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the foregoing information and to acknowledge such consideration by initialling, signing and returning the enclosed additional copy of form PTO-1449.

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